Transit Services

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Division of Transit Services is to provide an effective mix of public transportation services in Montgomery County.

BUDGET OVERVIEW

The total recommended FY05 Operating Budget for the Division of Transit Services is \$87,960,240, an increase of \$4,774,770 or 5.7 percent from the FY04 Approved Budget of \$83,185,470. Personnel Costs comprise 43.5 percent of the budget for 571 full-time positions and 110 part-time positions for 642.0 workyears. Operating Expenses and Capital Outlay account for the remaining 56.5 percent of the FY05 budget.

Not included in the above recommendation is a total of \$26,550: Bethesda Parking District (\$15,930); Montgomery Hills Parking District (\$530); Silver Spring Parking District (\$8,230); and Wheaton Parking District (\$1,860). The funding and workyears for these items are included in the receiving departments' budgets.

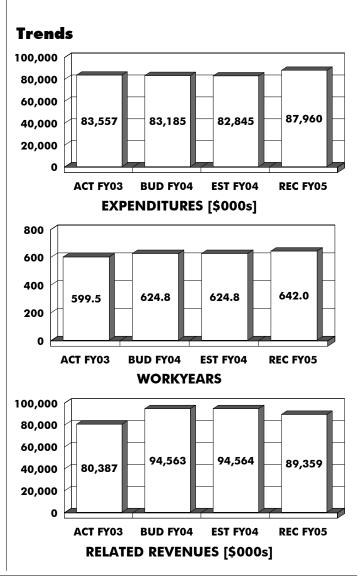
The general obligation bond Debt Service for the Mass Transit Fund is appropriated in the Debt Service Fund and is not displayed in this section. To pay for the Debt Service, a transfer of funds from the Mass Transit Fund to the Debt Service Fund of \$3,038,680 is required.

Go Montgomery!

The Go Montgomery! initiative, which began during FY03, is a comprehensive transportation plan for Montgomery County. The emphasis of the program is to reduce traffic congestion and prevent gridlock. Included in this initiative are major enhancements to the County's transportation system, expansion of alternative transportation options, better use of technology to relieve congestion, and the pursuit of major regional and State projects that will improve traffic flow in the County. The components of the program include operating and capital budget investments in Mass Transit, Transportation, and Fleet Management.

In preparing his Public Services Program and Capital Improvements Program budgets, the County Executive has maintained support for Go Montgomery! efforts launched in FY03 and FY04. These include: significant transportation investments in capital projects as announced in the Executive's January 15th Capital Improvements Program; road resurfacing; pedestrian safety programs; intersection improvements; school zone safe walking and crosswalk striping programs; safety, speed and capacity studies to resolve potential safety problems; the Kids Ride Free program which allows youth to ride free on Metrobuses from 2:00 to 7:00 pm; the Fare Share/Super Fare Share transit subsidy partnership program with employers; and bus service begun as a result of new buses purchased through

Totals	87,960,240	642.0
Administration	1,535,240	11.1
Fixed Costs	2,573,520	0.4
Passenger Facilities	684,580	2.1
Transit Operations Planning and Control	1,465,150	18.8
Transit Parking Facility Maintenance	273,240	1.1
Customer Service	1,596,060	12.0
Taxi Regulation	635,240	7.1
Commuter Services	3,947,930	15.5
Ride On	69,982,320	568.0
Special Transportation Programs	5,266,960	5.9
Program Summary	Expenditures	WYs



Go Montgomery!

In FY05, the County Executive's Recommended Budget proposes the following Transit Services enhancements:

- annualization of new Go Montgomery! bus service begun in FY04, resulting in a net increase of 16,500 platform hours of bus service serving 165,000 additional passengers;
- an additional 3,000 platform hours of Go Montgomery! bus service for 30,000 passengers made possible by the FY04 purchase of two additional buses; and
- expansion of the Call'N Ride program to meet demand for the popular discounted taxi service for low-income elderly and disabled residents.

In addition, this department's Capital Improvements Program (CIP) requires Current Revenue funding. Please see Section 5 for information related to the CIP.

PROGRAM CONTACTS

Contact Bill Selby of the Division of Transit Services at 240.777.5807 or Mary Cichello Beck of the Office of Management and Budget at 240.777.2753 for more information regarding this department's operating budget.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Special Transportation Programs

Special Transportation Programs provide: transportation to and from Medicaid appointments for those eligible; a user-side subsidy program that provides travel options for low-income elderly and disabled; and information on all public transportation programs available to seniors and persons with disabilities.

FY05 Recommended Changes

	xpenditures	WYs
FY04 Approved	4,580,510	5.4
Increase Cost: Medicaid Grant funding for tax trips and Program Specialist position	i 235,520	1.0
Enhance: Call N' Ride service through Go Montgomery! to accommodate anticipated 9 percent growth (revenue is expected to increa by \$76,050)	se 574,730	0.0
Shift: Connect-a-Ride contract to Customer Service program	-95,000	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, and changes due to staff		
turnover	-28,800	-0.5
FY05 CE Recommended	5,266,960	5.9

Ride On

Fixed-route bus service is provided by the Ride On system throughout the County. Ride On operates primarily in neighborhoods and provides a collector and distributor service to the major transfer points and transit centers in the County. Ride On supplements and coordinates with Metrobus and Metrorail service provided by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority. The Ride On transit program operates

and manages more than 80 routes; maintains a strategic plan for replacement of the bus fleet; maintains the buildings and bus parking lots at the Silver Spring and Gaithersburg Operations Centers; trains new bus operators, as well as retrains existing operators; coordinates activities with the Advanced Transportation Management Center; and operates Ride On's centralized radio system.

FY05 Recommended Changes

	xpenditures	WYs
FY04 Approved	66,316,770	557.1
Increase Cost: Motor Pool rate adjustment	2,810,430	0.0
Increase Cost: Bus replacement to purchase 1 CNG buses and 5 financed hybrid buses (includes one lease payment of \$281,820)	5 1,155,230	0.0
Enhance: Annualized Go Montgomery! bus service begun in FY04	544,850	7.7
Increase Cost: Lease purchase 12 small gas-fueled replacement buses for Takoma Par service (includes one lease payment of		
\$270,580)	270,580	0.0
Increase Cost: Lease payments	200,670	0.0
Add: New Go Montgomery! bus service relate to two new buses funded in FY04	d 196,580	2.7
Increase Cost: Access-to-Jobs bus service to support underpriviledged workers	104,410	2.3
Increase Cost: Ride On shift differential increases based on labor contract provisions	75,140	0.0
Increase Cost: Contractor bus maintenance monitor	58,450	0.8
Increase Cost: Silver Spring Ride On depot maintenance charges from DPWT Division of		
Operations	45,880	0.0
Increase Cost: Local Bus Capital Grant	42,000	0.0
Increase Cost: Bus driver uniforms	30,000	0.0
Eliminate: CNG Grant due to completion of State commitment	-1,650,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Bus service contract costs related to the Campus Connector service	-750,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Elimination of one-time items FY04 - County funded portion of two new	in	
buses for improved Go Montgomery! service	-570,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Federal Earmark Grant	-135,410	0.0
Decrease Cost: Technical adjustment to offset bus lease payments expected in FY06	-552,400	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, and changes due to staff		
turnover	1,789,140	-2.6
FY05 CE Recommended	69,982,320	568.0

Commuter Services

The Commuter Services Program centralizes commuter services efforts and promotes transportation alternatives to the single occupant vehicle in Silver Spring, Bethesda, Wheaton, North Bethesda, Friendship Heights, and other areas of the County. The program provides efficient and coordinated administrative support for services to employers and employees or residents. It uses existing organizations, such as Urban Districts, as advisory organizations. The Silver Spring Transportation System Management District, the North Bethesda Transportation

Management District (TMD), the Friendship Heights TMD, and the Bethesda TMD were created by County law. In Wheaton, efforts are focused on a transportation policy planning area.

FY05 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY04 Approved	3,809,980	14.4
Increase Cost: North Bethesda TMD Grant		
Employer Outreach Services	64,250	0.0
Increase Cost: North Bethesda TMD Parking		
Charges from Operations	52,020	0.3
Add: Program Specialist I to implement		
Commuter Services Bill 32-02	49,370	0.8
Increase Cost: Bethesda TMD Grant	34,410	0.0
Increase Cost: Commuter Assistance Grant	17,720	0.0
Decrease Cost: Discontinue funding for		
non-operational Bethesda Commuter Store	-50,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Elimination of one-time item	s in	
FY04 for the Bethesda and North Bethesda 1	MD -6,000	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including		
negotiated compensation changes, employe	e	
benefit changes, and changes due to staff		
turnover	-23,820	0.0
FY05 CE Recommended	3,947,930	15.5

Taxi Regulation

The Taxi Regulation Program is responsible for issuance, enforcement, renewal, and management of passenger vehicle licenses and taxicab driver IDs. This program administers the taxicab regulation, licensing, and permit activities.

FY05 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY04 Approved	254,130	2.6
Add: Executive Taxicab Initiative to increase competition, enforcement and customer servi (offsetting revenues will fund the initiative)	ce 338,560	4.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, and changes due to staff	.	
turnover	42,550	0.5
FY05 CE Recommended	635,240	7.1

Customer Service

The Customer Service Program operates the Transit Information Center (TIC) to provide bus route and rail information to the public. The TIC manages the distribution of transit timetables and responses to citizen inquiries. The program conducts marketing and promotional activities to reach potential riders and provides the public and employers with easier access to fare media to encourage ridership.

The Customer Service Program also provides community outreach to civic and community groups, senior organizations and residential sites. This community outreach effort strives to inform citizens of programs and services for fixed routes and services for seniors and persons with disabilities.

FY05 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY04 Approved	1,464,550	12.2
Shift: Connect-a-Ride contract from Special Transportation programs	95,000	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employe benefit changes, and changes due to staff	•	
turnover	36,510	-0.2
FY05 CE Recommended	1,596,060	12.0

Transit Parking Facility Maintenance

The Transit Parking Facility Maintenance Program funds the operation and maintenance of the Park & Ride and Commuter Rail Parking Lots. The Division of Operations provides and manages the maintenance services at the Park & Ride and Commuter Rail lots.

FY05 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY04 Approved	874,800	0.5
Increase Cost: Park & Ride lot maintenance charges from Operations	36,780	0.6
Add: Germantown Park & Ride lot maintenand	ce 9,000	0.0
Shift: Shady Grove Garage operations to WMATA (related revenues of \$452,640 were also reduced)	-649,440	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, and changes due to staff turnover	2,100	0.0
FY05 CE Recommended	273,240	1.1

Transit Operations Planning and Control

The Transit Operations Planning and Control Program provides comprehensive, coordinated, and integrated services to assure the County's transit needs are met. To accomplish this objective, the program plans and schedules Metrobus and Ride On service; evaluates and develops Ride On schedules; manages the County's transit passenger facilities; and develops strategic plans.

FY05 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY04 Approved	1,686,220	18.3
Increase Cost: Annualize Central Dispatch Program Specialist to advance Automated Transit Management System (ATMS) project	7,960	0.2
Decrease Cost: Elimination of one-time ATM Go Montgomery! planning funded in FY04	S -154,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Elimination of one-time Go Montgomery! survey funded in FY04	-105,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Elimination of one-time Lakeforest Transit Center cameras funded in FY04	-25,000	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee	,	0.0
benefit changes, and changes due to staff turnover	54,970	0.3
FY05 CE Recommended	1,465,150	18.8

Passenger Facilities

The Passenger Facilities Program provides for the purchase, installation, maintenance, and routine replacement of bus passenger shelters and benches, along Ride On and County Metrobus routes, as well as bus schedule information displays at shelters or other bus stop locations. The program also includes installation of trash receptacles at locations outside of the Urban Districts where litter problems are observed and documented. The installation of shelters is prioritized using an established criterion of 50 daily boardings per stop. Where this standard is not met, a bench may provide passenger seating.

FY05 Recommended Changes

Ехр	enditures	WYs
FY04 Approved	719,460	2.6
Shift: Senior Planning Specialist to Capital Development due to department reorganization	-63,910	-0.6
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, and changes due to staff	•	
turnover	29,030	0.1
FY05 CE Recommended	684,580	2.1

Fixed Costs

The Fixed Costs Program contains certain cost items that involve long-term funding commitments independent of the annual scope of program costs. Fixed costs included in this category are utility payments and insurance. Casualty insurance for Ride On is provided through the Division of Risk Management. The costs are required or "fixed" based on the existence of the programs, but the actual amount is based on anticipated rates and the proposed size and scope of the related unit or program.

FY05 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY04 Approved	1,823,370	0.4
Increase Cost: Risk Management Rate		
adjustment	752,080	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employe benefit changes, and changes due to staff	е	
turnover	-1,930	0.0
FY05 CE Recommended	2,573,520	0.4

Administration

The Administration Program provides general management, planning, supervision, and support for the Division. It performs financial management tasks, administers contracts, manages grants, provides personnel management functions, furnishes office automation support, and provides Montgomery County's financial support to the Washington Suburban Transit Commission.

FY05 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY04 Approved	1,655,680	11.3
Increase Cost: Washington Suburban Transit	t	
Commission (WSTC) contribution	14,270	0.0

FY05 CE Recommended	1,535,240	11.1
turnover	-24,640	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, and changes due to staff		
Decrease Cost: Eliminate Mail Runner function	-18,330	-0.3
Decrease Cost: Kids Ride Free to reflect reduced costs to maintain the current 2-7 pm program on Metrobuses	-100,000	0.0
Increase Cost: Procurement Specialist II	8,260	0.1

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Actual FY03	Budget FY04	Estimated FY04	Recommended FY05	% Chg Bud/Rec
MASS TRANSIT	1100	110-7	110-7	1105	Boa/ Rec
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries and Wages	24,788,767	25,900,160	25,384,942	27,477,010	6.1%
Employee Benefits	7,207,252	8,183,290	8,461,648	9,328,970	14.0%
Mass Transit Personnel Costs	31,996,019	34,083,450	33,846,590	36,805,980	8.0%
Operating Expenses	35,845,628	38,540,630	38,437,110	41,870,750	8.6%
Capital Outlay	4,978,211	586,590	586,590	890,000	51.7%
Mass Transit Expenditures	<i>72,</i> 819 <i>,</i> 858	73,210,670	72,870,290	79,566,730	8.7%
PERSONNEL					
Full-Time	487	535	535	557	4.1%
Part-Time	123	105	105	110	4.8%
Workyears	573.3	597.4	597.4	615.9	3.1%
REVENUES					
Investment Income	244,867	30,000	30,000	60,000	100.0%
Property Tax	35,460,061	43,209,080	43,806,800	41,936,490	-2.9%
Other	115,674	100,000	102,920	100,000	
State Aid: Smart Card Farebox Technology	0 01 500 005	3,400,000	3,400,000	0 000 5 10	
State Aid: Ride On State Aid: CNG Bus Contribution	21,593,005 0	22,092,540	22,092,540	22,092,540 0	_
State Aid: CING BUS CONTRIBUTION State Aid: Damascus Fixed Route	176,722	1,125,000 286,000	1,125,000 286,000	286,000	_
State Aid: Damascos Fixed Route State Aid: Call-n-Ride	494,030	379,110	379,110	379,110	
State Aid: MARC Shuttle	62,974	76,200	76,200	76,200	
Ride On Bus Advertising	02,774	500,000	70,200	70,200	_
Taxicab Licensing	278,834	280,000	300,000	803,470	187.0%
Ride On Fare Revenue	8,830,135	10,933,900	10,933,900	13,139,560	20.2%
Share-A-Ride Program	48,837	45,000	45,000	45,000	
Metro Police Parking Violations	367,000	0	500,000	400,000	_
North Bethesda TMD	922,575	1,229,510	1,063,280	1,122,170	
Developer Contributions	302,202	107,000	107,000	107,000	
Shady Grove Garage	471,139	452,640	0	0	
Get-In Revenue	27,222	69,700	69,700	69,700	_
Call-n-Ride & Same Day Access Revenue	295,074	272,050	272,050	348,100	
Mass Transit Revenues	69,690,351	84,587,730	84,589,500	80,965,340	-4.3%
GRANT FUND MCG					
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries and Wages	985,277	1,133,750	1,212,780	1,157,620	2.1%
Employee Benefits	336,918	349,550	366,670	341,580	
Grant Fund MCG Personnel Costs	1,322,195	1,483,300	1,579,450	1,499,200	1.1%
Operating Expenses	2,508,797	2,238,090	2,141,940	2,384,310	6.5%
Capital Outlay	6,906,429	6,253,410	6,253,410	4,510,000	
Grant Fund MCG Expenditures	10,737,421	9,974,800	9,974,800	8,393,510	
PERSONNEL					
Full-Time	23	25	25	14	-44.0%
Part-Time	6	5	5	0	_
Workyears	26.2	27.4	27.4	26.1	-4.7%
REVENUES					
Access-To-Jobs	917,424	852,370	852,370	761,250	-10.7%
Bus Replacement Grant	2,433,545	2,698,000	2,698,000	2,740,000	1.6%
CNG Bus Replacement Grant	1,275,000	1,650,000	1,650,000	0	
COG Grant	161,265	164,400	164,400	164,400	
Commuter Assistance: Ridesharing	419,352	354,350	354,350	372,070	
Federal Capital Bus Grant	1,905,420	1,905,410	1,905,410	1,770,000	
Smart Moves	46,014	0	0	0	
State Medicaid	2,173,262	2,350,270	2,350,270	2,585,790	
State Transit Grant	1,148,100	0	0		
Smart Card Farebox Readers grant	216,889	0	0	0	
Grant Fund MCG Revenues	10,696,271	9,974,800	9,974,800	8,393,510	-15.9%
DEPARTMENT TOTALS					
Total Expenditures	83,557,279	83,185,470	82,845,090	87,960,240	5.7%

	Actual FY03	Budget FY04	Estimated FY04	Recommended FY05	% Chg Bud/Rec
Total Full-Time Positions	510	560	560	571	2.0%
Total Part-Time Positions	129	110	110	110	_
Total Workyears	599.5	624.8	624.8	642.0	2.8%
Total Revenues	80,386,622	94,562,530	94,564,300	89,358,850	-5.5%

FUTURE FISCAL IMPACTS

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ASS TRANSIT						
Expenditures						
FY05 Recommended No inflation or compensation change is included in outyear	79,567 projections.	79,567	79,567	79,567	79,567	79,567
Annualization of Positions and One-Time Items Approved in FY05 Items recommended for one-time funding in FY05, including outyears. New positions in the FY05 budget are generally as above amounts also reflect the elimination of a position in the	sumed to be fil					
Executive's Taxi Cab Initiative	0	. 67	-7	- 7	-7	- 7
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FY05-10 PUBLIC SERVICES PROGRAM: FIS	CAL PLAN	AL PLAN MASS TRANSIT FUND						
	FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	
FISCAL PROJECTIONS	ESTIMATE	RECD	PROJECTION	PROJECTION	PROJECTION	PROJECTION	PROJECTION	
ASSUMPTIONS								
Property Tax Rate: Real Property	0.044	0.039	0.041	0.037	0.034	0.031	0.029	
Assessable Base: Real Property (000)	89,866,230	98,477,000	110,368,720	122,869,070	134,793,720	141,828,270	147,501,670	
Property Tax Collection Factor: Real Property	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	
Property Tax Rate: Personal Property	0.110	0.098	0.103	0.093	8.5%	7.8%	0.073	
Assessable Base: Personal Property (000)	4,199,900	3,920,000	3,994,900	4,086,200	4,196,400	4,329,800	4,486,970	
Property Tax Collection Factor: Personal Property	94.9%	94.9%	94.9%	94.9%	94.9%	94.9%	94.9%	
Indirect Cost Rate	13.15%	14.32%	14.32%	14.32%	14.32%	14.32%	14.32%	
CPI (Fiscal Year)	2.7%	2.4%	2.3%	2.4%	2.5%	2.4%	2.3%	
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	(1,206,170)	4,186,840	1,890,280	2,528,930	1,890,270	2,144,580	1,923,580	
REVENUES								
Taxes	43,806,800	41,936,490	49,020,310	48,931,530	49,077,410	47,039,860	45,755,600	
Licenses & Permits	300,000	803,470	526,520	631,150	631,150	631,150	631,150	
Charges For Services	12,490,930	14,831,530	15,172,660	15,536,800	15,925,230	16,307,440	16,682,510	
Fines & Forfeitures	500,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	
Intergovernmental	27,358,850	22,833,850	23,357,280	23,916,030	24,512,030	25,098,490	25,674,000	
Miscellaneous	132,920	160,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	
Subtotal Revenues	84,589,500	80,965,340	88,651,770	89,590,510	90,720,820	89,651,940	89,318,260	
INTERFUND TRANSFERS (Net Non-CIP)	(5,585,200)	(2,496,170)	(3,036,990)	(2,892,360)	(2,702,630)	(2,401,790)	(1,991,990)	
TOTAL RESOURCES	77,798,130	82,656,010	87,505,060	89,227,080	89,908,460	89,394,730	89,249,850	
CIP CURRENT REVENUE APPROP.	(741,000)	(1,199,000)	(280,000)	(630,000)	(783,000)	(840,000)	(810,000)	
PSP OPER. BUDGET APPROP/ EXP'S.							, ,	
Operating Budget	(72,870,290)	(79,566,730)	(79,566,730)	(79,566,730)	(79,566,730)	(79,566,730)	(79,566,730)	
Labor Agreement	n/a	0	(1,414,850)	(2,947,600)	(3,221,670)	(3,221,670)	(3,221,670)	
Resume Direct Purchase of 20 replacement buses	0	0	(2,925,000)	(2,925,000)	(2,925,000)	(2,925,000)	(2,925,000)	
Annualize New FY05 GM Service	0	0	(98,780)	(98,780)	(98,780)	(98,780)	(98,780)	
Taxicab Initiative	. 0	0	(67,070)	7,410	7,410	7,410	7,410	
Other Annualizations and One-Time Adjustments	n/a	n/a	50,230	50,230	50,230	50,230	50,230	
New Bus Master Lease Payments	0	0	(552,400)	(1,104,810)	(1,104,810)	(834,220)	(563,640)	
Previous Master Lease Payment Changes	n/a	n/a	(121,530)	(121,530)	(121,530)	(42,390)	556,400	
Subtotal PSP Oper Budget Approp / Exp's	(72,870,290)	(79,566,730)	(84,696,130)	(86,706,810)	(86,980,880)	(86,631,150)	(85,761,780)	
TOTAL USE OF RESOURCES	(73,611,290)	(80,765,730)	(84,976,130)	(87,336,810)	(87,763,880)	(87,471,150)	(86,571,780)	
YEAR END FUND BALANCE	4,186,840	1,890,280	2,528,930	1,890,270	2,144,580	1,923,580	2,678,070	
END-OF-YEAR RESERVES AS A								
PERCENT OF RESOURCES	5.4%	2.3%	2.9%	2.1%	2.4%	2.2%	3.0%	

Assumptions:

- 1. The tax rates for the Mass Transit Fund are adjusted annually to fund the approved service program and to maintain an ending fund balance of approximately 2.5 percent of resources.
- 2.The FY05-10 projections are based on the department's recommended budget and include the revenue and resource assumptions of that budget. FY06-10 expenditures are based on the "major, known commitments" of elected officials and include negotiated labor agreements, the operating costs of capital facilities, the fiscal impact of approved legislation or regulations, and other programmatic commitments. They do not include inflation or unapproved service improvements. The projected future expenditures, revenues, and fund balances may vary based on changes to fee or tax rates, usage, inflation, future labor agreements, and other factors not assumed here.
- 3. The recommended budget maintains current Ride On bus service, annualizes new bus service launched in FY04, and begins new bus service related to the purchase of two additional buses in FY05. In total, approximately 19,500 additional platform hours of service for 195,000 passengers will be added in FY05.
- 4. The County Executive's recommended budget includes an expansion of the Call 'N Ride program to reflect increased program demand.
- 5. The County Executive's Taxicab Initiative to increase competition, enforcement, and customer service is included in the recommended budget. Offsetting increases in taxicab fees will be used to fund the initiative.
- 6. In FY05, 32 buses will be replaced. Replacement buses will include 15 Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) buses, 12 small, gas-fueled buses for Takoma Park service, and 5 hybrid buses. Increased Mass Transit funding is needed to replace the \$75,000 per bus state grant for CNG buses.
 7. Although WMATA may ultimately approve a base fare of \$1.35, this budget reflects a base fare of only \$1.30. Fare pass costs have also been changed to \$21 (20-Trip Ticket) and \$13 (Ride-About Two Week Pass). Most other fee revenues will grow by inflation.
- 8. FY05 State funding will remain at FY04 levels. The only exceptions involve Smart Card and CNG bus grants that were not of an ongoing nature.
- 9. Master lease payments for SmartCard fareboxes, two CNG buses, and 12 gas-fueled buses are expected to end in FY09. Lease payments for three CNG buses and five hybrid buses are expected to end in FY10 and FY11, respectively.
- 10. Metro Police tickets have been moved to the Mass Transit Fund from the General Fund. FY04 figures include a one-time \$120,000 adjustment for FY03 receipts as well as some one-time receipts for collection of old tickets.

PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION

Transit Services

PROGRAM:

Commuter Services

PROGRAM ELEMENT:

PROGRAM MISSION:

To implement transportation systems that maximize commuter mobility and foster livable communities in each Transportation Policy Area

COMMUNITY OUTCOMES SUPPORTED:

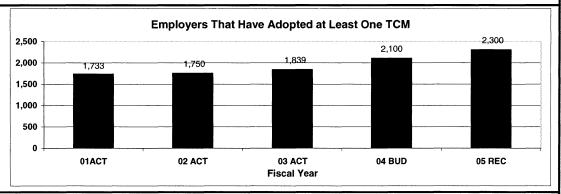
- · Reduce traffic congestion
- · Reduce air and noise pollution, energy consumption, wilderness and farmland encroachment
- · Improve pedestrian safety
- · Enhance economic development

PROGRAM MEASURES	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04	FY05
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	CE REC
Outcomes/Results:					
Employers that have adopted at least one TCM ^b	1,733	1,750	1,839	2,100	2,300
Percentage of employees who are non-drivers in peak periods: ^c					
Bethesda Transportation Management District (TMD)	26	26	34	30	34
Friendship Heights TMD	40	33	43	34	38
North Bethesda TMD	24	24	NA	25	25
Silver Spring TMD	47	46	NA	46	46
Wheaton Central Business District	10	10	NA	12	12
Service Quality:					
Percentage of requests for service or information that:					
- Were handled courteously	98	99	99	99	99
- Were handled quickly (within 5 days)	100	100	100	100	100
Efficiency:					
Average cost per actively participating employer (\$) ^d	1,306	882	732	867	858
Workload/Outputs:					
Employers actively participating ^d	2,511	3,376	4,021	4,400	4,400
Carpool matchlists provided and followed up	7,625	11,594	14,140	15,000	14,000
Employer transportation plans developed	21	14	23	100	350
Fare media sold at commuter store (\$)	365,086	515,304	625,502	650,000	800,000
Employer outreach activities (total) ^e	4,594	3,663	4,507	4,600	4,000
Inputs:					
Expenditures (\$000)	3,279	2,578	3,067	3,810	3,948
Workyears (positions)	14.0	13.9	13.9	14.4	15.5

Notes:

EXPLANATION:

The number of employers that have adopted at least one transportation control measure (TCM) climbed from 1,306 in FY00 to 1,839 in FY03, a 41% increase. By FY05, it is anticipated that about 2,300 employers will participate, an increase of another 25 percent.



PROGRAM PARTNERS IN SUPPORT OF OUTCOMES: Local employers, civic associations, municipalities, environmental groups, transit advocacy groups, Maryland Mass Transit Authority, Maryland Department of Transportation, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, US Environmental Protection Agency.

MAJOR RELATED PLANS AND GUIDELINES: Fare Share/Super Fare Share; Smart Moves! Campaign; Maryland Commmuter Choice Tax Credit.

^a"Transportation Policy Area" is a generic term used to designate urbanized areas that have been the focus of County transportation demand management activities. They may range from informally identified service areas to Transportation Management Districts created by the County Council.

^bTCM stands for "Transportation Control Measure." This is a strategy that serves to lessen the demand for single occupant vehicle (SOV) use. Examples include charging for SOV parking, providing preferential parking spaces for carpools, promoting or facilitating teleworking, reducing fares for transit or parking charges for carpools, and providing bicycle or pedestrian amenities such as bike lockers or sidewalk connections.

^cAs measured by a survey of employers with 25+ employees. The survey process is under review, which may change these outcomes.

^dAs measured by the number of employers working with program staff.

^eThe employee outreach measures are being revised, so the data may not be comparable across years.

PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION Transit Services

PROGRAM:

PROGRAM ELEMENT:

Ride On

PROGRAM MISSION:

To provide timely, safe, efficient Ride On bus service to bus passengers

COMMUNITY OUTCOMES SUPPORTED:

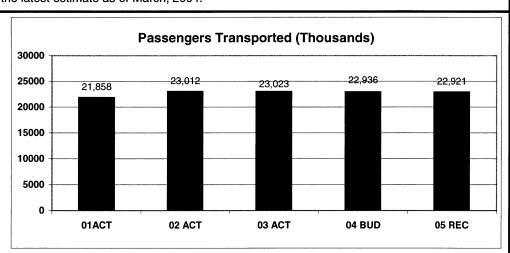
- Reduced traffic congestion
- Improved accessibility to employment and retail centers
- Improved mobility for those with limited transportation options

PROGRAM MEASURES	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04	FY05
THOUSE WILL ROOM LEG	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	CE REC
Outcomes/Results:					
Accidents per 100,000 miles	3.47	3.57	3.69	3.70	3.70
Passengers transported (000)	21,858	23,012	23,023	^b 22,936	22,921
Service Quality:					
Customer complaints per 100,000 passengers	7.1	9.5	10.8	10.5	11.0
Percentage on-time performance ^a	92.0	75.6	80.0	90	90
Efficiency:					
Cost per hour of service (\$)	53.03	57.15	59.22	62.41	66.60
Cost per passenger (\$)	2.15	2.26	2.39	2.56	2.86
Workload/Outputs:		,			
Hours of bus service (000)	885	910	929	940	985
Inputs:					
Expenditures - direct operating (\$000)	46,930	52,007	55,020	58,665	65,601
Workyears	492.3	515.8	528.6	549.4	560.3

Notes:

EXPLANATION:

The FY01 budget included additional service on the most heavily used Ride On routes. Ridership is expected to increase by 7.4% between FY01 and FY05. The first phase of Go Montgomery! service will be added in FY04 and FY05, and fares will increase in both years.



PROGRAM PARTNERS IN SUPPORT OF OUTCOMES: Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, Division of Fleet Management Services, Maryland State Department of Transportation.

MAJOR RELATED PLANS AND GUIDELINES: Transit Services' Strategic Transit Plan.

^aAn industry acceptable standard for on-time performance is 90 percent.

^bFY04 ridership is based on the latest estimate as of March, 2004.